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### **MEETINGS—Season 1913-14.**

1. Nov. 1, 1913. Organization and election, reception to President-General Rogers Clark Ballard Thruston at the home of Albert M. Henry, President of the State Society, Grosse Pointe Farms.
2. December 5, 1913. Discussion of "The Present Mexican Situation" by Walter E. Parker at the home of Hon. Harry A. Lockwood, 1077 Second Avenue.
3. January 16, 1914. Paper by Rev. Joseph A. Vance, D.D., historian of the State Society, "The Development of the American Republic," at the home of Mr. Richard H. Fyfe, 939 Woodward Avenue.
4. Feb. 27, 1914. Address by Prof. Warren W. Florer, Ph.D., President of Washtenaw County Chapter, "Influence Upon the United States of the German Conception of Freedom," at the University Club.
5. March 20, 1914. Address by Will Levington Comfort on "What War Really Means—the Darker Side of the Shield," at the Hotel Cadillac.
6. May 1, 1914. Annual banquet of the State Society at the Hotel Cadillac. Addresses, "The Mexican Situation," Gen. Chas. A. Coolidge; "Patriotism," George T. Moody.
7. May 29, 1914. Annual meeting and election of officers at the Hotel Pontchartrain. Reports of the National Congress at Syracuse were presented by State Delegates Albert M. Henry, Williams C. Harris and William M. Finck.

## **MEETINGS—Season 1914-15.**

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1. December 11, 1914. Address by Supt. Charles E. Chadsey, Ph.D., on "The Teaching of Patriotism in the Schools," at the University Club.
2. February 12, 1915. Address by John R. Lee on "The Immigrant as a Citizen and a Worker," at the Hotel Statler.
3. February 22, 1915. Exercises in commemoration of Washington's Birthday at the Museum of Art. Addresses by Hon. Harry A. Lockwood on "Washington and Patriotism" and by Charles Moore on "The Life and Times of Washington." (Illustrated).
4. March 19, 1915. Address by Ira W. Jayne on "Recreation and Its Proper Supervision as a Necessary Factor in the Making of Good Citizens," at the residence of Harry A. Lockwood, 1077 Second Avenue.
5. April 16, 1915. Annual banquet Michigan State Society at the Detroit Club. Addresses: "Our Duty," Ormond F. Hunt; "Our Flag Afloat," Congressman George A. Loud; "Our Country," Senator William Alden Smith.
6. May 14, 1915. Annual meeting and election of officers at the Detroit Athletic Club. Address by J. H. Dague: "The Alien Population in Detroit and Opportunities Offered Them in Preparation for Citizenship."

### **MEETINGS—Season 1915-16.**

1. December 3, 1915. Illustrated address by Prof. Warren W. Florer, Ph.D., President of the Washtenaw Chapter, S. A. R., at the Hotel Cadillac, on "Scenes of the American Revolution," showing his specially prepared stereopticon views.
2. February 18, 1916. Address by Hon. Arthur J. Tuttle, United States District Judge, on "Admission of Aliens to Citizenship," at the Detroit Athletic Club.
3. February 22, 1916. Public exercises in commemoration of Washington's birthday at the Art Museum. Address by Prof. Claude H. Van Tyne, Ph.D.
4. March 17, 1916. Address by Capt. Fred M. Alger on "Preparedness and National Defense," at the University Club.
5. April 15, 1916. Annual banquet of Michigan Society, Sons of the American Revolution.
6. May 12, 1916. Annual meeting and election of Detroit Chapter.

## **CHARTER OF DETROIT CHAPTER**

**To the Members of the Detroit Chapter, Greeting:**

Whereas, in pursuance of and according to Article IV., Section 3, of the Constitution of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, and also in accordance with Article 6a of the Constitution of the Michigan Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, you have made application to the Board of Managers of said State Society for authority to form a Chapter, to be called and known as The Detroit Chapter, to be located at Detroit, in the County of Wayne, and of which you are to be members; and

Whereas, The Board of Managers of this Society, by resolutions passed at a meeting of said Board on the second day of May, 1913, granted said application;

Now, therefore, know ye, that reposing special trust and confidence in your patriotism, the Michigan Society of the Sons of the American Revolution does by these presents authorize you to form a Chapter of this Society within the territory of the County of Wayne, to be known as The Detroit Chapter, No. 2, of the Michigan Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, and we do further authorize and empower you to associate with yourselves such other members of this or of any other State Society, as may now, or hereafter, reside within the State, and, as a Chapter, to adopt such Constitution, By-laws and Regulations as do not conflict with the Constitution and By-laws of the National Society of this Society. All members of this or of any State Society residing within the State shall be eligible to membership in this Chapter. But any member who shall be suspended, expelled, or in any way lose membership in the State Society, shall thereupon cease to be a member of this Chapter, and no person shall be admitted who is not a member of a State Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

It is your sacred duty to revive and keep alive, especially within your territory, the spirit of pure and unselfish patriotism which inspired the Fathers of the Republic, and diligently to promote the lofty aims and objects of the Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, to the end that our country may be preserved free, independent and united; that enlightened constitutional government may be maintained, and that peace and happiness, truth and justice, liberty and fraternity, may be established among us for all generations.

Given under the seal of this Society, this Second day of May, in the year of Our Lord, One Thousand, Nine Hundred and Thirteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Thirty-seventh.

**ALBERT M. HENRY, President.**

**RAYMOND E. VAN SYCKLE, Secretary.**

**Michigan Society, Sons of the American Revolution.**

## **CONSTITUTION OF DETROIT CHAPTER**

**Adopted November 1st, 1913.**

**1. NAME:** This organization shall be known as the DETROIT CHAPTER of the MICHIGAN SOCIETY, SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION.

**2. OFFICERS:** The officers shall be a president, two vice-presidents, secretary, treasurer, historian and chaplain, and a governing body to consist of the foregoing officers and nine other members, called the Executive Committee; all of whom shall be elected at the annual meeting for terms of one year each.

**3. MEMBERSHIP:** Any member of the Michigan Society Sons of the American Revolution shall be eligible to membership herein, but any member who shall be suspended, expelled, or in any way lose membership in the State Society, shall thereupon cease to be a member of this Chapter.

**4. DUES:** Each member shall pay annually to the secretary Chapter Dues amounting to two dollars per annum.

**5. MEETINGS AND ELECTIONS:** The annual meeting for the election of officers and the transaction of business shall be held on the second Friday in May in each year at a place to be designated in a notice of such meeting to be mailed by the secretary to all members one week before such meeting. Special meetings shall be held from time to time as may be decided by the executive committee.

**6. BY-LAWS:** This chapter may make such by-laws, rules and regulations for its government as do not conflict with the constitution and laws of the State or National Society.

**7. AMENDMENTS:** This constitution may be altered or amended at any annual meeting by a two-thirds vote of those present, provided a copy of the proposed alterations or amendments shall be mailed to the members one week before such meeting.

## CHAPTER ORGANIZATION IN MICHIGAN.

By Raymond E. Van Syckle, Secretary.

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The purpose of the Detroit Chapter and the reasons for its establishment will be best understood by a brief reference to the development of chapter organizations in Michigan.

Prior to the granting of a charter to the Detroit Chapter there existed in Michigan but one chapter organization. This—the Western Michigan Chapter—was granted a charter March 12, 1897, upon the application of eleven members of the State Society residing in Grand Rapids, giving them territorial jurisdiction over the counties of Kent, Ottawa, Allegan, Kalamazoo, Ionia, Barry and Muskegon. This chapter continued in existence until March 27, 1914, during which period forty-three gentlemen residing within these counties were members.

From the time of the organization of the State Society the great majority of the members have resided in Detroit, and it was the custom for the State Society to hold its social functions in that city. Members residing outside the County of Wayne began to feel that the State Society was in fact rather a local affair, the benefits of which were principally enjoyed by the residents of Detroit, and disaffection resulted which considerably diminished the membership in the other parts of the state.

To remedy this situation the members residing in Detroit decided to divorce their local social functions from the activities of the State Society and to carry them on through the agency of a local organization. On March 12, 1913, they applied for a charter for a Detroit Chapter with territorial limits comprising Wayne County. The charter for this Chapter was granted May 2, 1913. The Chapter was organized and a constitution adopted November 1, 1913. All members of the State Society residing in Detroit were invited to become members. Of the 266 members so invited only 28 have declined affiliation with the local chapter.

Detroit Chapter holds monthly meetings during the winter seasons at the hotels, clubs, and by invitation at the residences of members. At these meetings addresses are given upon topics of interest followed by general discussion participated in by the members. Refreshments and social intercourse follow.

Other chapters have been established in Michigan as follows:

On March 27, 1914, the members of the Western Michigan Chapter relinquished all territorial rights under their charter of 1897 to counties other than Kent, and received in return a new charter limited to Kent County. Their membership, which had diminished greatly, at once began to increase. Grand Rapids now has a membership of 50.

Upon the same date—March 27, 1914—five members of the State Society residing in Washtenaw County, together with eleven new members whom they had secured, were granted a charter for the County of Wash-tenaw. This chapter, with headquarters at Ann Arbor, now has a membership of 21. Situated at the State University its opportunity is wide.

On January 22, 1915, ten gentlemen residing in Mt. Pleasant were admitted to membership and granted a charter for a chapter for Isabella County. Their membership included an actual son of the Revolution—Peter Alverson Wilsey.

On February 22, 1915, five members residing in Kalamazoo formed a provisional organization for the establishment of a local chapter in that county.

Future chapters are promised by local workers at Marquette, Lansing, Pontiac, and Port Huron, at each of which localities the Society has five members.

The State Society receives from each new applicant an admission fee of \$5.00, and has adopted the plan of returning to local chapters, where such exist, one-half of this admission fee. All members of the State Society pay state and national dues amounting to \$3.00, whether members of local chapters or not. Members of local chapters pay in addition chapter dues as are fixed by the local chapter. Detroit Chapter requires chapter dues of \$2.00 for each member.

There can be no question but that the organization of local chapters greatly stimulates interest in this Society throughout the state. Its effect upon the growth of membership in the State Society may be noted as follows:

For the ten years ending 1913 there had been no growth in membership, the losses by death and resignation being just equal to the gain from new members. In the year ending April 1, 1914, 24 new members were admitted, and in the year ending April 1, 1915, 62 new members were admitted.

## THE WORK OF DETROIT CHAPTER.

By William Stocking, Historian.

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The preponderance of Detroit members in the Michigan Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, and the fact that most of the meetings were held in this city, it was thought had the effect of discouraging enrollment in other parts of the state. This belief led to the suggestion that interest should be localized by the organization of separate groups in districts where there was any considerable number of members. Accordingly at a meeting of the State Society held at the University Club March 12, 1913, local members began signing up an application for a separate charter, about 150 signatures being shortly obtained. May 27 the same year the charter was granted by the State Society. A meeting for organization was held at the house of President A. M. Henry, November 1, 1913, at which time a constitution was adopted, and officers were elected to serve for the next six months. The Chapter was favored at this meeting with the presence of President-General Ballard Thruston. Compatriot Williams C. Harris was elected the first president. The wisdom of this initial step has been vindicated by a greatly increased interest in the order in Detroit, and by the establishment of local chapters for their respective counties in Ann Arbor, Kalamazoo, Grand Rapids and Mt. Pleasant.

During the year just closed the meetings in Detroit have been more largely attended than ever before. A significant feature of these winter meetings has been the discussion which has in every case followed the reading of the set papers. These discussions have not only shown interest on the part of members, but they have been animated, varied and instructive.

The first event of interest after the last annual meeting was a fraternal visit to the Washtenaw Chapter at Ann Arbor, on the evening of June 18th. Addresses were made at this meeting by the following compatriots from this chapter: Albert M. Henry, President of the State Society; Fred B. Smith, President of the Detroit Chapter; Raymond E. Van Syckle, Secretary of both organizations; F. S. Dewey, Registrar of the State Society, and Norman B. Conger. Officers of the Washtenaw County Chapter explained that among the activities which they had planned, were distribution of pamphlets designed to assist aliens in finding labor in the State, the holding of annual patriotic meetings to interest University students in the society, and the awarding of prizes for the best patriotic essays.

Mr. A. M. Henry, as President of the State Society, was among the officers who planned the Washington Pilgrimage from Philadelphia to Cambridge, June 23 to July 2, 1914. Detailed plans for this memorable pilgrimage, the most ambitious undertaking in the history of the National

Society, were carefully considered, and were most successfully carried out. The party in automobiles followed as far as possible the identical roads taken by Washington and his party in 1775. On June 22 the pilgrims assembled in Philadelphia, and were the guests of the Pennsylvania State Society and the Philadelphia Chapter on an automobile ride to Germantown and Valley Forge. In the evening there was a banquet to celebrate the dinner given to Washington on the eve of his departure for Cambridge.

On the morning of the 23rd, 75 members of the Society and ladies began the pilgrimage under the leadership of President-General Thruston and Chief Marshal Henry Fuller Pendorson of Springfield, Mass., who was first to suggest the celebration. Trenton was reached about noon, New York two days later and Boston on July 2nd.

The official report of the pilgrimage gives but little more than the bare itinerary, with accounts of the unveiling of tablets, an exception being the following three sentences. "A feature of the journey through Connecticut was the enthusiasm shown by the small towns along the route. Flags were displayed everywhere in profusion. Here and there were tableaux representing incidents in the life of Washington, and frequently there were groups in colonial costume and many exhibits of Revolutionary and early Colonial memorials in the towns where the pilgrims tarried."

No member of this chapter, so far as I can learn, took part in this pilgrimage, but as there are many members who are of Connecticut birth or ancestry, I venture to add a little bit of local color about this portion of the trip. It is part of a letter from a niece of mine, living in North Haven. She and her mother are both Daughters of the American Revolution. Her father is a Son and also a veteran of the Union Army. The letter says: "We all joined in the pilgrimage. We added ourselves and our machine here and went as far as Hartford. All along the route flags were out in honor of the Sons. In the towns and villages, factory whistles blew salutes, and people were drawn up to cheer the passage. At Meriden we all stopped and went to a house built in 1701. The Daughters held reception and the liberty of the house was ours, with old-fashioned things galore. At Berlin we stopped again at a house that was once an inn and where Washington really stayed. We stopped also at an ancient house in Rocky Hill, where the Daughters were again in evidence and the Sons, too, in costume. Aside from the modern lighting and plumbing and oriental rugs, these houses were as they used to be 150 years ago. At Wethersfield there was a remarkable house, the old Webb House, and we were shown the very room where Washington slept and the chess-board he used, and the room where in 1781 he met Count Rochambeau and other French officers and planned the campaign which resulted in the capture of Cornwallis. Really the trip was an inspiration."

The letter goes on to speak of the love the old New England people have for the historical landmarks and their pride in the patriotism of

their ancestors, and closes with the question whether my wife and I were letting our grand-daughter grow up without a proper appreciation of what those ancestors of ours did, and what they stand for in our country.

I questioned my grand-daughter about that. She is not immensely interested about Lexington and Concord and Bunker Hill, but she knows the score by which the basket-ball team in Eastern High beat Central High, Cass Tech., Pontiac High, and various other inferior institutions; and I don't know but that is a good beginning. Loyalty to school, to team, to gang, if need be, lay a good foundation for loyalty to city, to state and nation.

But speaking of the old New England homes, I chanced to call upon a cousin living in a house built in revolutionary times on the edge of the patriotic old town of Farmington. My cousin has two magnificent Persian cats, and in deference to the memories of the house she has taught them, whenever the colors are brought in, to jump upon a table, sit up, and with their fore paws "salute the flag." It takes a Connecticut Daughter of the American Revolution, the widow of a Union soldier to thus teach the first principles of good citizenship to foreign felines.

The first of the fall and winter meetings held at the University Club on the evening of December 11, 1914, had as its main feature, an address by Dr. Chadsey on "Teaching Patriotism in the Public Schools," with remarks on the same subject by Benjamin F. Comfort, principal of the Cass Technical, and J. Remsen Bishop, principal of the Eastern High. The suggestive speeches on the main topic were to some extent interspersed and followed by a discussion of the duty of this country in respect to the peace movement and its own preparedness for war. The speakers mentioned took some part in this discussion, as did also compatriots C. M. Burton, A. M. Henry and Enoch Smith.

The main topic of the evening suggests a brief account of a practical campaign in patriotism which was conducted a quarter of a century earlier in this city, the history of which ought to be preserved in the archives of this society. In September, 1889, James H. Stone, general manager of the Daily Tribune and James W. Hine, principal editorial writer on the same paper evolved a plan for providing the public schools of Detroit with flags. They addressed to the Board of Education a memorial referring to the display of the stars and stripes as a symbol of personal patriotism and national homogeneity, and offered in behalf of the Tribune Company to pay half the cost of a flag for every public school building in the city, if the Board of Education or the public would pay the other half. The offer was accepted and many of the scholars themselves became contributors to the fund. The Board provided suitable staffs, and in the course of a few months the flag was floating over every public school building in the city, and under similar arrangements over some of the parochial schools.

The flag raisings were made occasions for education and sources of inspiration. Under competent teachers pupils in all the schools were

trained in singing patriotic songs, and these on each occasion were accompanied by brief addresses by members of the Tribune staff, by school principals or by other public spirited citizens. It was also arranged that in each school the custody of the flag should be awarded to meritorious pupils by vote of the pupils themselves, the custodian to be changed each week. There was afterwards sharp competition for the honor of being color sergeant for that brief period. The success of the movement in Detroit was so great that it was carried beyond the bounds of the city, and in the course of a year over 600 flags were sent out to schools in the state of Michigan. The flag is intimately associated with the love of home and of country, with the history of heroic deeds and with personal loyalty and patriotism, and these flag raisings and the subsequent care of the colors constituted lessons in these virtues for a whole generation of pupils. It was as a direct result of this volunteer movement that at a subsequent period the present state law was enacted to provide a flag and staff for every public school building in the state. \*

The passage of an act by the present Legislature requiring the reading of the Declaration of Independence once a week, and the singing of the Star Spangled Banner in the public schools is in the same line. It would do no harm if the advanced pupils were brought to some knowledge of the other three great national charters, the Articles of Confederation, the Constitution and the Ordinance of 1787.

The February meeting was held on the 12th at the Hotel Statler. Secretary Van Syckle read a letter from President-General Ballard Thruston on the importance of impressing upon those who are becoming American citizens through the process of naturalization a due sense of the obligations they are assuming. This appeal was issued in two forms. The first was sent to 1,500 Federal and State judges having jurisdiction over naturalization proceedings, and the other was addressed to state societies and local chapters of the Sons of the American Revolution. Both contained suggestions as to the education of the new citizens. The second also referred to a form of leaflet approved some years ago on "The United States; Its Opportunities, Government and Institutions." Several hundred thousand of these leaflets, printed in 14 different languages, together with a later one on Naturalization have been distributed among aliens in industrial centers and in night schools in different parts of the country. It is worthy of note that Mr. Van Syckle, Secretary of this chapter, had already, through his connection with the night schools, been active in distributing this literature.

The exercises of the evening were in line with this topic. The principal speaker was Mr. John R. Lee, who has charge of the welfare work of the Ford Motor Company, which employs over 20,000 men. Mr. Lee said there were in the company's factories men of 49 different nationalities and 108 who do not know where they came from. He said that most of these men came out of an environment that is wholesome and good, and they are equipped for good citizenship, if they only can be brought under the

proper influences here. The salvation of the situation is to teach them the English language. This his company does, having 1,100 men enrolled in classes all the time. The company also assists workmen to purchase homes and tries to keep them in good living conditions. It considers that while it is thus making them good men and good workmen it is also making them good citizens.

Judge George S. Hosmer said there had been an improvement in the methods of naturalization; formerly men were naturalized for the purpose of voting them for political purposes; now a United States examiner ascertains whether they are competent for citizenship. Dr. Emil Rosinger followed with an account of the school for citizenship for Germans

The Chapter celebrated Washington's birthday by a patriotic gathering at the Museum of Art, to which the public generally and the Daughters of the American Revolution especially were invited. Addresses were made by Judge Harry A. Lockwood on "Washington and Patriotism" and by Compatriot Charles Moore on "The Life and Times of Washington."

The March meeting was held on the evening of the 19th at the residence of Judge Lockwood. The subject "Recreation and Its Proper Supervision as a Necessary Factor in the Making of Good Citizens" was discussed by President Frederick B. Smith, Superintendent Ira W. Jayne, and Compatriots A. M. Henry, R. H. Fyfe, Charles L. Clark, C. B. Leonard and George W. Bates. The connection between this Society and the recreation movement may not be apparent to some. On this subject the remarks by President Smith in introducing Superintendent Jayne are pertinent. He said: "The purposes and objects of this society are declared to be historical, patriotic and educational. They not only include the perpetuation of the memory of our Revolutionary fathers, but they also seek to inspire among their descendants and the community at large a profound respect for the principles of the government founded by our forefathers; to maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom, to foster true patriotism and good citizenship. This society has sought to fit our immigrants for the duties and responsibilities of active citizenship. One of the necessary factors in making good citizens is that children in their formative period may be protected from the evil influences prevalent in the streets of the city, and be given the opportunity for healthful and elevating recreation. In the city means of recreation and proper supervision must be supplied by some agency. The municipality of Detroit has undertaken this duty, and a commission has been appointed for this purpose." He suggested the desirability of sufficient appropriations for carrying on this work.

I might mention here the fact that the National Bulletin of the order has recognized the useful work of this chapter. It is certainly well for us to take pride in the deeds of our revolutionary ancestors. It behoves us also to do what we can for the integrity of the government which they established and for the elevation of the standards of those who are living under it.

## IN MEMORIAM

Wm. A. Butler, Jr., State No. 95, admitted October 14, 1895; died March 14, 1914; great-great grandson of Captain John Carpenter of Massachusetts, who was in the Revolutionary service from 1775 till 1783. He served as Lieutenant in Col. Timothy Danielson's regiment during the siege of Boston 1775-6. In 1779 he was appointed commander of the guards protecting the arsenal and stores at Springfield, and held that position till March 31, 1783. When he entered the army he took with him his son Abiel then 16 years of age. The great great grandson, Wm. A. Butler, Jr., was born in Detroit May 30, 1847. He was educated in the Detroit public schools and in Michigan University, graduating from the latter in the class of 1869. He spent one summer in the Lake Survey service in the Lake Superior district and then entered the banking house of Wm. A. Butler & Co. He remained with this company and its successor, the Mechanics' Bank, being cashier of the latter when it wound up its affairs in December, 1901. He was a Director of the Detroit Fire and Marine Insurance Co., and of the Oak Grove Sanitarium at Flint. Mr. Butler was very active in the State Militia. He was a Trustee of the Detroit Light Guard and Lieutenant in the Guard. He attended a number of encampments and in 1882 was Lieutenant-Colonel on the staff of General Withington, Brigade Commander.

Denny Orlando Wiley, State No. 603, admitted February 16, 1911, died April 14, 1914. He was great grandson of Azeriah Wright, captain in the Vermont militia. He was born in Westminster, Vt., December 9, 1846, came to Detroit in 1868 and engaged in the produce commission business which he continued the rest of his life. He was a member of the International Apple Shippers' Association (President 1908-10), Detroit Produce Exchange (President), Detroit Branch of National League of Commission Merchants, Detroit Board of Commerce and Board of Trade. He was a 32° Mason and was active in the Congregational Church and in philanthropic work.

Frank Woodman Eddy, State No. 463, admitted February 8, 1904; died May 12, 1914; great grandson of Nathan Eddy, private in the 12th Massachusetts regiment. He was born in Warsaw, N. Y., July 29, 1851, educated in the public schools of Northampton, Mass., Collegiate and Polytechnic School, Brooklyn, N. Y., and Williams College, Mass. He began his business career in the wholesale hardware firm of Mulford and Sprague, New York City, came to Detroit and became a member of the firm of H. D. Edwards & Company in 1876. He was also a director in four other other important business companies. He was a mason, was prominent in the First Congregational Church, and was a member of half a dozen social, shooting and fishing clubs.

Henry Hunt Boggs, State No. 644, admitted March 13, 1913, charter member of Detroit chapter, died November 1, 1914; great grandson of Major John Boggs of the 5th Cumberland County, Penn. militia. He was born in Springfield, Ohio, November 28, 1867, and began his business career in 1883 as machinists apprentice in that city. He was subsequently in business in Chicago and Cleveland and came to Detroit in 1908 as manager of the Strong, Carlisle and Hammond Co. He was a member of the National Guard both in Ohio and Michigan, was an Episcopalian in church relations, was active and prominent in Masonic circles and was a member of the Detroit Board of Commerce, Athletic, Motor Boat, Yacht and Wolverine Auto Clubs.

Fordyce H. Rogers, State No. 529, admitted April 15, 1908, died November 2, 1914; great grandson of Joshua Ripley, private in Col. Jeremiah Mason's regiment of Connecticut militia. He was born in Detroit, October 12, 1840, and was educated in the public schools of Pontiac. He was first lieutenant and battalion adjutant of the First Michigan Cavalry in the War of the Rebellion and on account of staff duty afterwards was promoted to Colonel. He was engaged in banking and mining operations on the Pacific slope from 1868 to 1879, then was a banker and broker in New York City. In 1880 he came to Detroit and bought the Detroit White Lead Works, of which he was President and Manager till his retirement in 1910. He was a member of the Society of Colonial Wars, Loyal Legion and Grand Army of the Republic, Trustee of Olivet College, active in the First Congregational Church, a mason and a member of three social and sporting clubs.

Our departed brothers were all zealous members of this order and all prominent in the business and public affairs of the city.

**Report on Membership for the Year Ending May 14, 1915.**

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Members elected during the year in Detroit Chapter.....	21
Deaths during the year in Detroit Chapter.....	4
Resignations during the year in Detroit Chapter.....	4
Total number of paid-up members in Detroit Chapter.....	219
Charter members who have not yet paid any dues in the Chapter....	8
Number of members of the State Society who have not yet indicated whether they intend to join the Chapter.....	11
Number of members of the State Society who have declined affiliation with the Chapter.....	28
Total membership of the State Society residing in Detroit.....	266
Total membership of the State Society.....	430

**RAYMOND E. VAN SYCKLE,**  
Secretary.

**MEMBERS DETROIT CHAPTER.**

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Frederick M. Alger.....	Grosse Pointe Village
Mark W. Allen.....	425 Hurlbut Ave.
Stephen L. Angle.....	315 Merrick Ave.
John P. Antisdel.....	319 Jefferson Ave. E.
Edward H. Ashley.....	71 Garfield Ave.
Frank W. Averill.....	1042 Second Ave.
Harry E. Avery.....	33 Palmer Ave. E.
John H. Avery.....	652 Jefferson Ave. E.
Charles H. Ayers.....	53 Trowbridge Ave.
John N. Bagley.....	Grosse Pointe Farms
Paul F. Bagley.....	Witherell Apts.
John E. Baker.....	1041 Cass Ave.
Edwin S. Barbour.....	Grosse Pointe Farms
George H. Barbour.....	Grosse Pointe Farms
George W. Bates.....	53 Bagg St.
Jerome H. Bishop.....	Wyandotte
J. Remsen Bishop.....	1555 Jefferson Ave. E.
Edward W. Bissell.....	750 Jefferson Ave.
Roman A. Bissell.....	750 Jefferson Ave.
Clifford C. Boone.....	49 Colorado Ave., H. P.
Albert W. Bosley.....	89 Warren Ave. E.
George N. Brady.....	Birmingham
Gerald D. Bunker.....	.96 Collingwood Ave.
Clarence M. Burton.....	65 Boston Blvd. W.
George E. Bushnell.....	77 Canfield Ave. E.
Edward H. Butler.....	Grosse Pointe Farms
Fred E. Butler.....	Pasadena Apts.
Wells D. Butterfield.....	109 Avalon Ave.

Guy B. Cady.....	217 Seyburn Ave.
David C. Cady.....	57 Watson St.
Sherman D. Callender.....	73 Pingree Ave.
Allan Campbell.....	34 Warren Ave. W.
Hamilton Carhartt.....	843 Jefferson Ave.
John W. Case.....	55 Winona Ave., H. P.
Cornelius K. Chapin.....	205 Van Dyke Ave.
Roy D. Chapin.....	Grosse Pointe Farms
Hugh C. Chedester.....	71 Davenport St.
William J. Chittenden.....	Birmingham
Harold E. Clark.....	735 Second Ave.
Charles L. Clark.....	51 Holbrook Ave.
Carl F. Clarke.....	514 Hart Ave.
Benjamin F. Comfort.....	183 Clairmount Ave.
Harry A. Conant.....	Windsor, Ont.
John S. Conant.....	504 Pasadena Apts.
Norman B. Conger.....	189 Taylor Ave.
Charles G. Cook.....	226 Pallister Ave.
J. Clifton Cook.....	575 Cass Ave.
Gen. Charles A. Coolidge.....	Pasadena Apts.
John B. Corliss.....	34 Canfield Ave. W.
J. Donaldson Craig.....	1045 Trumbull Ave.
Roys J. Cram.....	25 Hancock Ave. W.
William A. Crampton.....	143 Canfield Ave. W.
James C. Cristy.....	183 Iroquois Ave.
Harry B. Crowl.....	830 Second Ave.

George S. Davis.....	247 Frederick Ave.
James E. Davis.....	Pasadena Apts.
John Davis.....	56 Garfield Ave.
Franklin S. Dewey.....	309 Warren Ave. W.
Fred G. Dewey.....	145 Trowbridge Ave.
Horace K. Dickinson.....	77 Westminster Ave.
John L. Dickinson.....	111 21st St.
Paul Dickinson.....	106 Tyler Ave., H. P.
Dr. Harlow B. Drake.....	Pasadena Apts.
J. Walter Drake.....	112 Boston Blvd. W.
Charles A. Ducharme.....	Grosse Pointe Village
Frederick T. Ducharme.....	200 Burns Ave.
Bethune Duffield.....	480 Woodward Ave.
Dr. George Duffield.....	186 Canfield Ave. W.

Harry B. Earhart.....	115 Virginia Park
Herbert R. Earle.....	Bloomfield Hills
C. Goodloe Edgar.....	188 Iroquois Ave.
Harold S. Ellington.....	201 Gladstone Ave.
Dr. Justin E. Emerson.....	128 Henry St.

Arthur J. Farmer.....	
Jacob S. Farrand, Jr.....	457 Woodward Ave.
William R. Farrand.....	149 McDougall Ave.
William M. Finck.....	145 Van Dyke Ave.
Albert H. Finn.....	36 Bethune Ave. W.
Frank D. Forbush.....	315 Seminole Ave.
Charles E. Fox.....	430½ Cass Ave.
Henry Riley Fuller.....	Pasadena Apts.
Richard H. Fyfe.....	939 Woodward Ave.

William T. Gage.....	Grosse Isle
Lewis LeB. Goodwin.....	180 E. Grand Boulevard
John H. Greusel.....	Hollywood, Calif.
Paul S. Hamilton.....	273 Putnam Ave.
Byron E. Hamlin.....	3079 Grand Blvd. W.
Rawson B. Harmon.....	Grosse Pointe Village
William P. Harris.....	1751 Jefferson Ave.
Williams C. Harris.....	Birmingham
Walter S. Harsha.....	32 Peterboro St.
Frederick T. Harward.....	80 Connecticut Ave.
Charles H. Hatch.....	99 Delaware Ave.
George E. Hawley.....	60 Palmer Ave. W.
William C. Heath.....	789 Third Ave.
Albert M. Henry.....	Grosse Pointe Farms
Joseph L. Hepburn.....	309 Warren Ave. W.
Dr. Charles W. Hitchcock.....	55 Stimson Place
William H. Holden.....	115 Hancock Ave. E.
William P. Holliday.....	68 Davenport St.
Arthur L. Holmes.....	352 Cadillac Ave.
Dr. Frank Ward Holt.....	130 Tuxedo Ave.
Henry W. Horton.....	316 Hudson Ave.
George S. Hosmer.....	51 Eliot St.
Wetmore Hunt.....	677 Jefferson Ave.
Wm. H. H. Hutton, Jr.....	663 Second Ave.
Oscar A. Janes.....	30 California Ave., H. P.
Deming Jarves.....	Dienard, France
Ira W. Jayne.....	33 Warren Ave. W.
Charles C. Jenks.....	472 Woodward Ave.
Henry L. Jeness.....	39 Rowena St.
Dr. Charles G. Jennings.....	435 Jefferson Ave.
James D. Jerome.....	55 Rowena St.
Edward H. Jewett.....	239 Burns Ave.
Harry M. Jewett.....	Grosse Pointe Shores
Henry K. Jones.....	898 Jefferson Ave.
Charles A. Kanter.....	99 Merrick Ave.
Charles E. Kanter.....	63 Eliot St.
William J. Keep.....	753 Jefferson Ave.
Louis B. King.....	76 Stimson Place
Hale G. Knight.....	37 Willis Ave. E.
Dr. Stephen H. Knight.....	37 Willis Ave. E.
Alburn H. Krum.....	36 Seward Ave.
Howard A. Ladue.....	894 Cass Ave.
Kirke Lathrop.....	200 Parker Ave.
Charles F. Lawson.....	862 Trumbull Ave.
Fred C. Lawton.....	56 Hague Ave.
Henry B. Ledyard.....	Grosse Pointe Farms
James L. Lee.....	Grosse Pointe Farms
Dr. Charles B. Leonard.....	40 Massachusetts Ave.
Cornelius W. Leonard.....	3087 West Grand Boulevard
Richard L'Hommedieu.....	191 McDougall Ave.
Charles E. Locke.....	158 McDougall Ave.
Harry A. Lockwood.....	1077 Second Ave.
Frank T. Lodge.....	75 Tuxedo Ave.
Ferdinand G. Luderer.....	513 4th Ave.
Dr. Albert B. Lyons.....	102 Alger Ave.

Dr. Carl C. McClelland.....	130 Webb Ave.
Howard A. McGraw.....	1209 Cass Ave.
Francis C. McMath.....	215 Iroquois Ave.
Dr. Walter P. Manton.....	45 Watson St.
Charles A. Merrell.....	98 Alexandrine Ave. W.
Edwin L. Miller.....	50 Delaware Ave.
Sidney T. Miller.....	524 Jefferson Ave.
Charles Moore.....	197 Parker Ave.
William V. Moore.....	Garden Court Apts.
John L. C. Mulkey.....	1129 Jefferson Ave.
John M. Mulkey.....	1129 Jefferson Ave.
Owen M. Mulkey.....	Pasadena Apts.
Manuel Munoz.....	
James O. Murfin.....	184 Van Dyke Ave.
John S. Newberry.....	Grosse Pointe Farms
Truman H. Newberry.....	Grosse Pointe Farms
Lewis H. Paddock.....	496 Jefferson Ave.
DeForest Paine.....	52 Putnam Ave.
Calvin A. Palmer.....	200 Edison Ave.
Jonathan Palmer, Jr.....	31 Euclid Ave. W.
Orren L. Palmer.....	111 Tyler Ave., H. P.
Dr. Homer E. Parshall.....	42 Kirby Ave. W.
Fred A. Perine.....	300 Burlingame Ave.
Leroy E. Perine.....	95 Farnsworth Ave.
Harry H. Pettee.....	83 Harper Ave.
Oliver Phelps.....	134 McDougall Ave.
Ralph Phelps, Jr.....	345 Iroquois Ave.
T. Glenn Phillips.....	321 Merrick Ave.
Marvin Preston.....	Addison Apts.
William P. Putnam.....	75 Owen Ave.
Frederick T. Ranney.....	89 Eliot St.
Charles L. Raymond.....	76 Arden Park
Jerome H. Remick.....	501 Jefferson Ave.
Dr. Frederick W. Robbins.....	96 Forest Ave. W.
Louis C. Rogers.....	439 Vinewood Ave.
William H. Rose.....	220 Virginia Park
James P. Scranton.....	178 Iroquois Ave.
Charles H. Sedgwick.....	373 Cavalry Ave.
Dr. T. M. Sellards.....	24 Peterboro St.
Francis M. Sessions.....	164 Josephine Ave.
Frank C. Sibley.....	309 Putnam Ave.
Thomas H. Simpson.....	25 Eliot St.
Dudley W. Smith.....	73 Pallister Ave.
Enoch Smith.....	377 Agnes Ave.
Frank G. Smith.....	89 Hancock Ave. E.
Frederic B. Smith.....	Pine Lake
Frederick P. Smith.....	Twin Oaks Farm
James Coslett Smith.....	Garden Court Apts.
W. Peyton Smith.....	2-a Woodward Apts.
Dr. Edward B. Spalding.....	Green Lake
H. Wibirt Spence.....	Grosse Isle
Howard A. Starret.....	140 Canfield Ave.
J. William Starret.....	140 Canfield Ave.
Samuel C. Stearns.....	Kingsville, Ont.
Arthur E. Stevens.....	730 Second Ave.

Frederic J. Stevens.....	Ridge Road
Mark B. Stevens.....	57 Garfield Ave.
Charles Stinchfield.....	Bloomfield Hills
William Stocking.....	220 E. Grand Boulevard
Edward W. Stoddard.....	153 Putnam Ave.
Ralph Stone.....	975 Cass Ave.
Joseph H. Stringham.....	275 Seminole Ave.
John H. Swift.....	190 Blaine Ave.

DeWitt H. Taylor.....	25 Alfred St.
Frank D. Taylor.....	105 Watson St.
Julius E. Thatcher.....	1865 Second Ave.
James W. Thompson.....	90 Putnam Ave.
Walter Thompson.....	Bloomfield Hills
Wilfred S. Thompson.....	176 Warren Ave. W.
James H. Thornburg.....	206 Northwestern Ave.
Arthur C. Tredway.....	452 Cadillac Ave.
James Turner.....	241 Seminole Ave.
Arthur J. Tuttle.....	140 Collingwood Ave.

Rev. Joseph A. Vance, D.D.....	21 Edmund Place
Frank G. Van Dyke.....	114 Rivard St.
Raymond E. Van Syckle.....	856 Cass Ave.

Will A. Waite.....	41 Adelaide St.
Charles A. Warren.....	789 Cass Ave.
John H. Wendell.....	159 Fort St. W.
George C. Wetherbee.....	777 Cass Ave.
John L. Whitehead.....	305 Elmhurst Ave.
Laurence J. Whittemore.....	98 Burlingame Ave.
William S. Wightman.....	163 Ash St.
Bert C. Wilder.....	146 Hazelwood Ave.
John D. Wiley.....	300 Putnam Ave.
Henry P. Williams.....	91 Merrick Ave.
Maurice O. Williams.....	Pasadena Apts.
Jefferson T. Wing.....	200 McDougall Ave.
Palmer E. Winslow.....	628 Second Ave.
Hugh J. Wood.....	315 West Grand Boulevard
Andrew C. Wood.....	315 West Grand Boulevard
Charles M. Woodruff.....	475 East Grand Boulevard
Fremont Woodruff.....	41 Watson St.
F. Raymond Woolfenden.....	31 Forest Apts.
Charles Wright.....	919 Jefferson Ave.

**Admitted March 17, 1916.**

Oliver A. Farwell.....	449 McClellan Ave.
Lee E. Joslyn.....	66 Euclid Ave., W.
Caleb McD. Mathews.....	104 Lincoln Ave.
Dr. William H. Price.....	20 Davenport St.
William S. Sayres, Jr.....	96 Hazlewood Ave.

**DECEASED.**

William A. Butler, Jr., died March 14, 1914.

Denny O. Wiley, died April 14, 1914.

Frank W. Eddy, died May 12, 1914.

Henry H. Boggs, died November 1, 1914.

Fordyce H. Rogers, died November 2, 1914.

Henry R. Mizner, died August 25, 1915.

Charles W. Moses, died Oct. 17, 1915.

Samuel B. Standish, died Nov. 6, 1915.

Elliott T. Slocum, died Nov. 20, 1915.

James H. Hall, died Jan. 1, 1916.

Jasper C. Gates, died Jan. 8, 1916.

Julian G. Dickinson, died Jan. 11, 1916.

Charles T. Mayo, died Jan. 14, 1916.

George Thrall, died Feb. 22, 1916.

